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#### FCC ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR MAY 6 E-RATE MODERNIZATION WORKSHOP

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The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) provides an initial agenda and panelist information for the E-rate Modernization Workshop scheduled for May 6, 2014 in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305), 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20554 (*panel times and participants subject to change*). The E-rate Modernization Workshop will focus on the important goal of connecting all schools and libraries to high-capacity broadband networks, and effective strategies and lessons learned in achieving the goal.

#### **AGENDA**

9:30 am – 9:45 am

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Chairman Tom Wheeler Commissioner Ajit Pai

9:45 am - 10:45 am

### **Broadband-Enabled Opportunities for Schools and Libraries**

A panel discussion with education and library leaders focused on the benefits of connecting schools and libraries to high-capacity broadband, with real-world examples of how broadband access is changing the nature of services being provided within schools and libraries.

Introductory Remarks:

**Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel** 

**Richard Culatta**, Director, Office of Educational Technology, U.S. Department of Education

#### Panelists:

Dr. Dallas Dance, Superintendent, Baltimore County, MD Public Schools
Corinne Hill, Executive Director, Chattanooga, TN Public Library
Ahniwake Rose, Executive Director, National Indian Education Association
Dr. Eric Williams, Superintendent, York County, VA Public Schools;
Superintendent, Loudoun County, VA Public Schools, effective July 1, 2014

#### **Education and Library Technology Experts Roundtable**

The remainder of the workshop will be a moderated roundtable discussion that covers several topics related to ensuring that schools and libraries have affordable access to 21<sup>st</sup> Century broadband.

Confirmed Roundtable Participants (subject to change)

**Stacey Aldrich**, Deputy Secretary for the Office of Commonwealth Libraries, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Emily Almond, Director, IT, Georgia Public Library Service

**Keith Bockwoldt**, Director of Technology Services, Township High School District 214, Arlington Heights, IL

**Phil Emer,** Director of Technology Planning and Policy, Friday Institute for Educational Innovation

Rick Everitt, Program Coordinator for Technology Enhancement, Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (FL)

Joe Freddoso, President & CEO, MCNC

**Jennifer Gardner**, Director, IT Finance & Subsidies, School District of Philadelphia, PA

Will Goodman, Director of Technology, Mountain Home School District, ID David Leonard, Director of Administration and Chief Technology Officer, Boston Public Library

Jeff Letourneau, Executive Director, NetworkMaine

Evan Marwell, CEO, Education SuperHighway

**Ed McKaveney**, Technology Director, Hampton Township School District, PA **Robert Swiggum**, Chief Information Officer, Georgia Department of Education

### 10:45 am - 12:00 pm

### **Expanding Access to Wi-Fi for Schools and Libraries**

Participants will discuss upgrading local area networks to provide Wi-Fi capable of handling 1:1 initiatives, increases in Wi-Fi demand, strategies for ensuring cost-effective purchasing, and planning for the wireless schools and libraries of the future.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

**Lunch Break** (lunch not provided)

1:00 pm - 1:05 pm

## Remarks from Commissioner Michael O'Rielly

## 1:05 pm - 2:45 pm

# **Enabling the Lowest "E-rate" for Schools and Libraries**

Participants will discuss different approaches to providing affordable access to 21<sup>st</sup> Century broadband, including improving Internet access and wide area network connectivity for school districts and library systems, state research and education networks, regional and state consortium purchasing, and state master contracts.

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm **Concluding Remarks** 

Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Julie Veach, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC
Jon Wilkins, Managing Director, FCC

The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The Commission will provide audio and/or video coverage of the meeting over the Internet from the FCC's Web page at http://www.fcc.gov/live. Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Please include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to <a href="fcc.504@fcc.gov">fcc.504@fcc.gov</a> or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

**Attendance** - This Workshop is open to the public. All attendees are advised to arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the workshop to allow time to go through our security process.

**Webcast** - To view the webcast, go to <a href="www.fcc.gov/live">www.fcc.gov/live</a> on the day of the event. Viewers may submit questions by e-mail to <a href="livequestions@fcc.gov">livequestions@fcc.gov</a> and/or via Twitter at #ErateModernization.

**Website** – Updates to the agenda, as well as panelist materials, will be available on the workshop's website at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/events/e-rate-modernization-workshop">http://www.fcc.gov/events/e-rate-modernization-workshop</a>.

For additional information about the workshop, please contact Charles Eberle at 202-418-2248, or via e-mail at Charles. Eberle @fcc.gov.

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